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TO: Members of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group

FROM: Jim Hull, Mesa, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, December 19, 2002, 10:00 a.m. MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room 302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group (TAG) will be held at the time and place noted above. Members of the Telecommunications Advisory Group may attend in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call 602-261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. After the prompt, please enter the meeting ID number 624824 (MAGTAG) on your telephone key pad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above. Those attending by videoconference are requested to contact MAG by Tuesday December 17th.

If you are attending in person, please park in the garage under the Compass Bank Building. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or 10 people for the MAGTAG. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Heidi Pahl at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

ADVISORY GROUP ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

- 2. <u>Approval of October 24, 2002 Meeting</u>
 Minutes
- 3. Regional Community Network Study

This study was launched as a joint project between the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group and the MAG Intelligent Transportation Systems Committee. The project will develop a design and an implementation plan to support essential telecommunication needs of MAG member agencies, business and education communities. The telecommunication infrastructure that will be recommended by this study consist of existing facilities and new links to form an integrated regional system. An overview of the study progress and next steps will be outlined in a brief presentation (See Attachment One).

4. Review of MAGTAG Working Group Sessions

The Chair from each of the MAGTAG working groups: Information Sharing, Regional Telecommunications Strategic Plan and Additional Sites and Outreach will be requested to provide an update on their group's activities. In addition each working group will be asked to set deadlines for completing their tasks.

5. <u>Regional Videoconferencing System</u> (RVS) Update

MAG staff has completed the RVS Report on the background, design, and implementation of the RVS Project. In addition, the MAG Q1 Fiscal Year 2003 report for Federal Highway Administration is complete. An update on the Regional Videoconferencing System usage statistics and December 2002 site coordinator meeting will be provided.

- 2. Review and approve October 24, 2002 meeting minutes.
- 3. For information and discussion.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

6. <u>Announcements and Public Input</u>

An opportunity will be provided to Committee members and members of the public to address the MAGTAG.

7. <u>Date of Future Meetings</u>

MAGTAG meetings are held once a month. The next meeting of the MAGTAG is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday January 23, 2003. A list of MAGTAG meetings for calendar year 2003 was sent to you as an attachment to last month's agenda packet. Note that all MAGTAG meetings in 2003 will be held in MAG Cholla room.

6. For information and discussion.

7. For information.